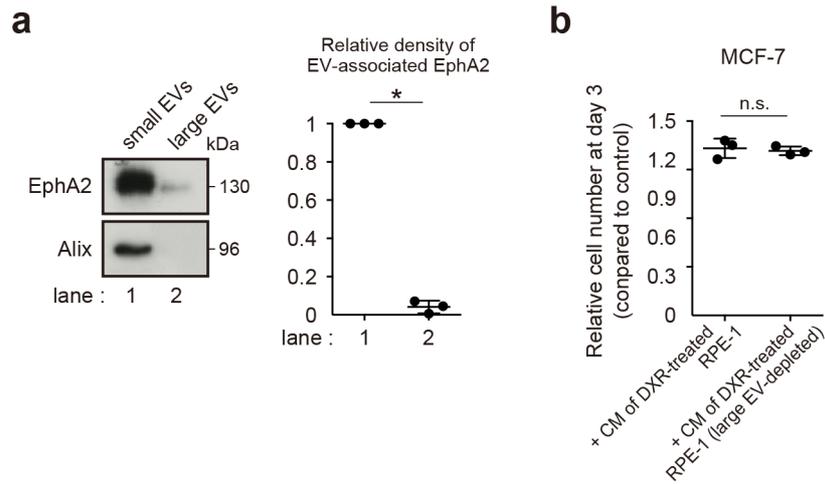
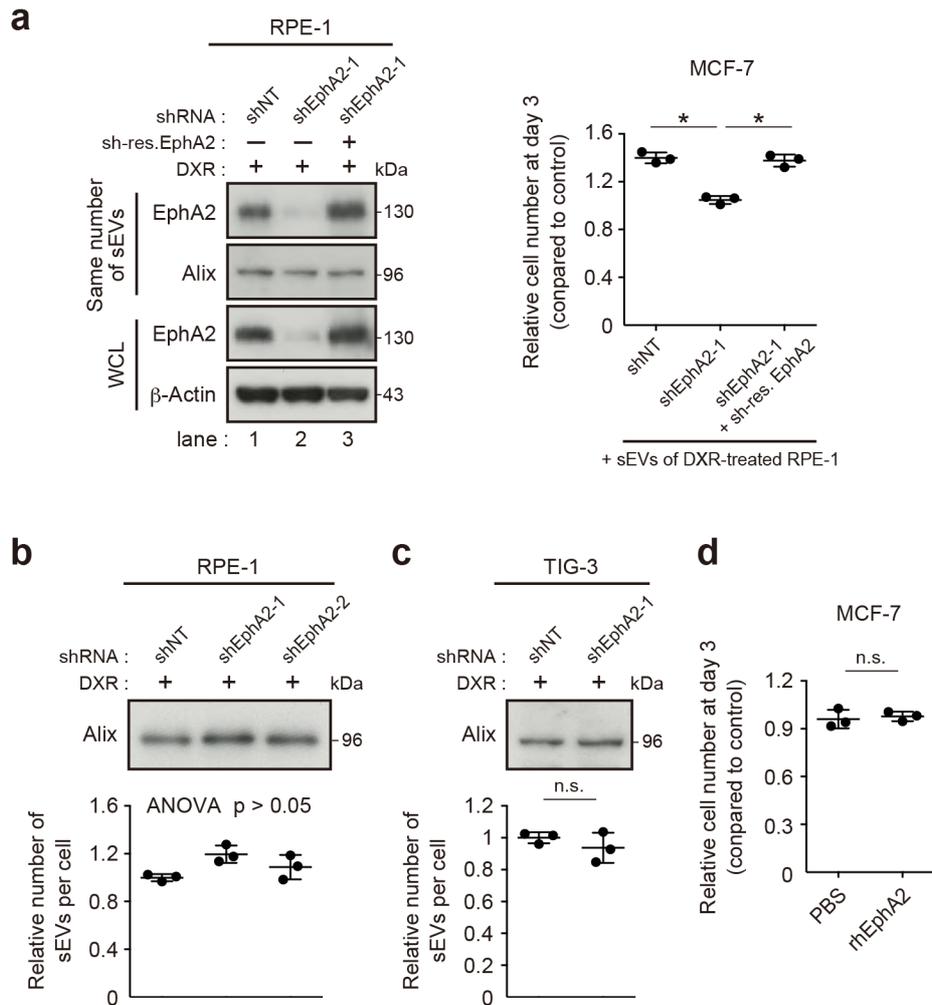


**Supplementary Figure 1 | Rab35 knockdown abolishes the pro-proliferative effect of CM of DXR-induced senescent RPE-1 cells.** (a) SA- $\beta$ -gal staining of pre-senescent control and senescent cells. Senescence was induced by serial passage, oncogenic Ras expression, or DXR treatment in TIG-3 or RPE-1 cells. Representative images are shown. Dot plots show the percentages of the SA- $\beta$ -gal positive cells. One hundred cells were counted in each group. Scale bars, 10  $\mu$ m. (b) Growth curves of control and senescent cells. (c) Immunoblotting of Alix and CD9 in the sEV fraction and of Rab35 and  $\beta$ -actin in the WCL of DXR-induced senescent RPE-1 cells expressing non-targeting shRNA (shNT), Rab35 shRNA (shRab35), or

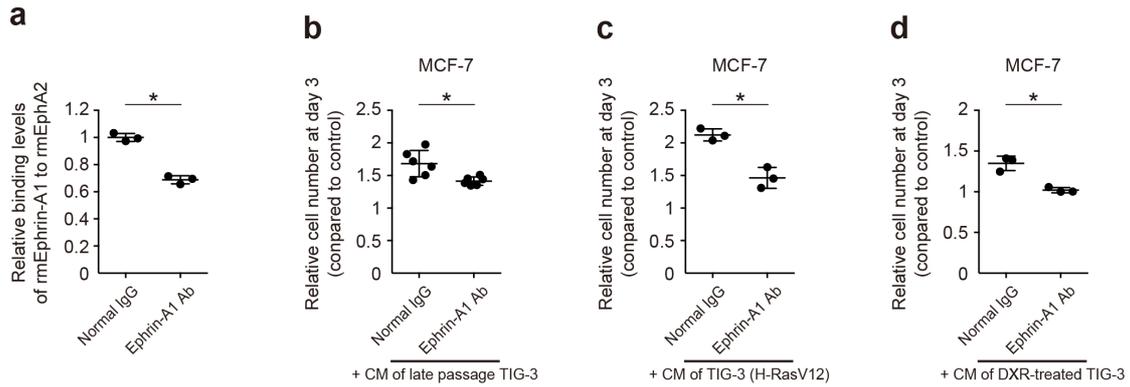
shRab35 and Rab35 cDNA resistant to shRab35 (sh-res. Rab35). Dot plot shows the relative number of sEVs per cell. The number of sEVs in the sEV fraction was quantified using NanoSight. **(d)** Relative numbers of MCF-7 cells grown in the presence of CM compared to the number of cells grown in normal medium. CM was prepared from DXR-induced senescent RPE-1 cells expressing shNT, shRab35, or shRab35 and sh-res. Rab35. Statistical analysis was applied only to the data of culture day 3. Replicates are biological replicates ( $n = 3$ ). Error bars indicate SD. \* $p < 0.05$  [two-tailed  $t$ -test for (a) and one-way ANOVA with post-hoc Dunnett's two-tailed test for (c,d)].



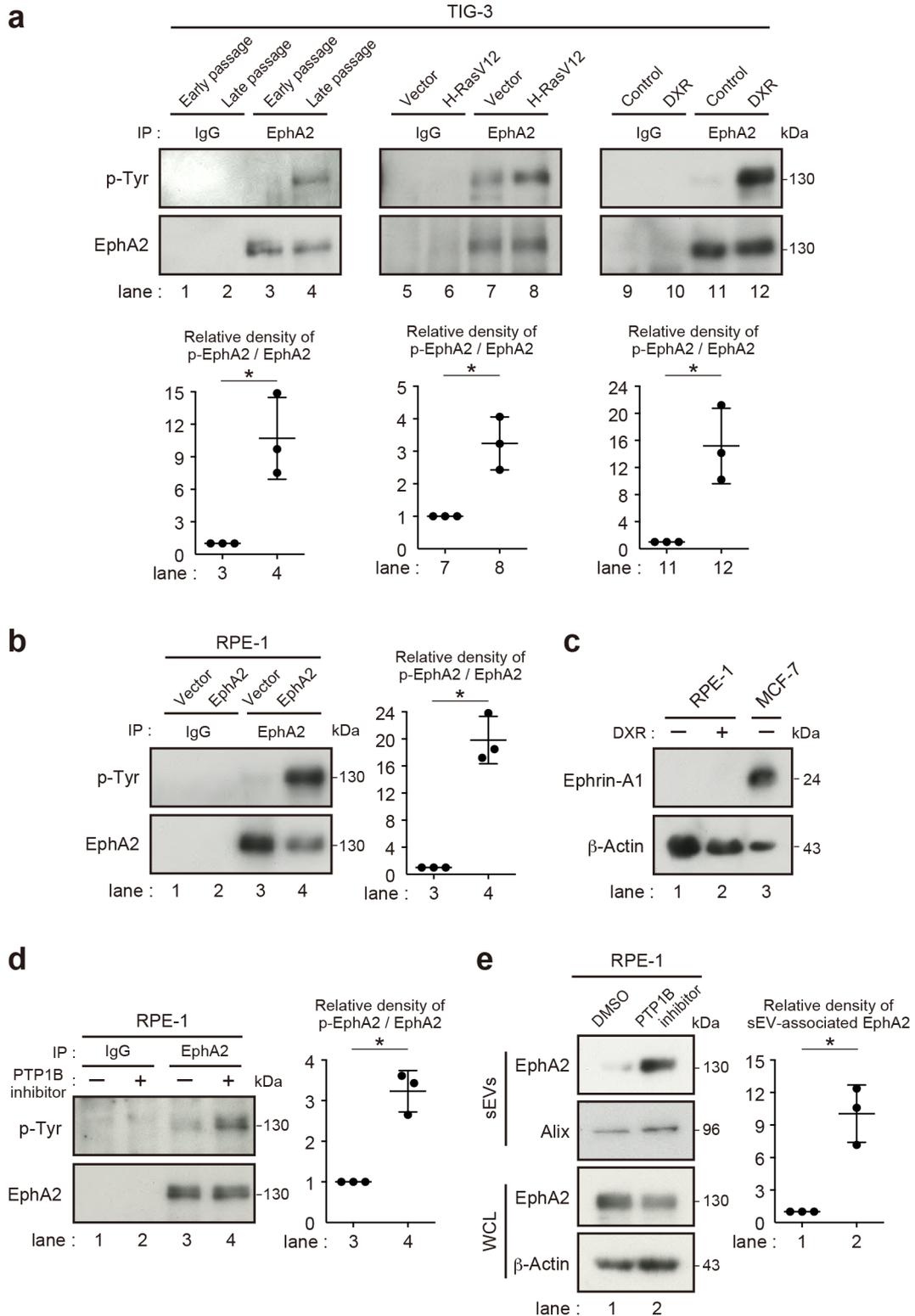
**Supplementary Figure 2 | sEV is the major type of EphA2-containing EVs.** (a) Immunoblotting of EphA2 and Alix in the small and large EV fraction prepared from DXR-induced senescent RPE-1 cells. Large EVs were prepared by pelleting them from the CM of DXR-induced senescent RPE-1 cells (10,000 × g, 30 min). Dot plot represents the relative density of EV-associated EphA2 analyzed by ImageJ. (b) Relative numbers of MCF-7 cells grown for 3 days in the presence of CM compared to the number of cells grown for 3 days in normal medium. CM was prepared from DXR-induced senescent RPE-1 cells and was used directly or after depleting large EVs by centrifugation (10,000 × g, 30 min). Replicates are biological replicates ( $n = 3$ ). Error bars indicate SD. \* $p < 0.05$  [two-tailed  $t$ -test].



**Supplementary Figure 3 | EphA2 is responsible for the pro-proliferative effect of sEVs.** (a) Immunoblotting of EphA2 and Alix in the sEV fraction and of EphA2 and  $\beta$ -actin in the WCL of DXR-induced senescent RPE-1 cells expressing non-targeting shRNA (shNT), EphA2 shRNA (shEphA2-1), or shEphA2-1 and EphA2 cDNA resistant to shEphA2-1 (sh-res. EphA2). The numbers of sEVs were quantified in advance using NanoSight, and the same number of sEVs was loaded in each lane. Dot plot represents the relative numbers of MCF-7 cells grown for 3 days in the presence of sEVs compared to the numbers of cells grown for 3 days in normal medium. sEVs were purified from DXR-induced senescent RPE-1 cells expressing shNT, shEphA2-1, or shEphA2-1 and sh-res. EphA2. sEVs were added to the medium at a concentration of  $2 \times 10^9$  particles/ml. (b,c) Dot plots show the relative number of sEVs per cell for DXR-induced senescent (b) RPE-1 and (c) TIG-3 cells expressing shNT or shEphA2 (shEphA2-1 or shEphA2-2). The number of sEVs in the sEV fraction was quantified using NanoSight. (d) Relative numbers of MCF-7 cells grown for 3 days in the presence of PBS or recombinant human EphA2 (1  $\mu$ g/ml) in normal medium compared to the number of untreated cells grown for 3 days in normal medium. MCF-7 cells were plated at a density of  $4 \times 10^2$  cells/cm<sup>2</sup> 1 day before starting the experiments. Replicates are biological replicates ( $n = 3$ ). Error bars indicate SD. \* $p < 0.05$  [one-way ANOVA with post-hoc Dunnett's two-tailed test for (a,b) and two-tailed  $t$ -test for (c,d)].



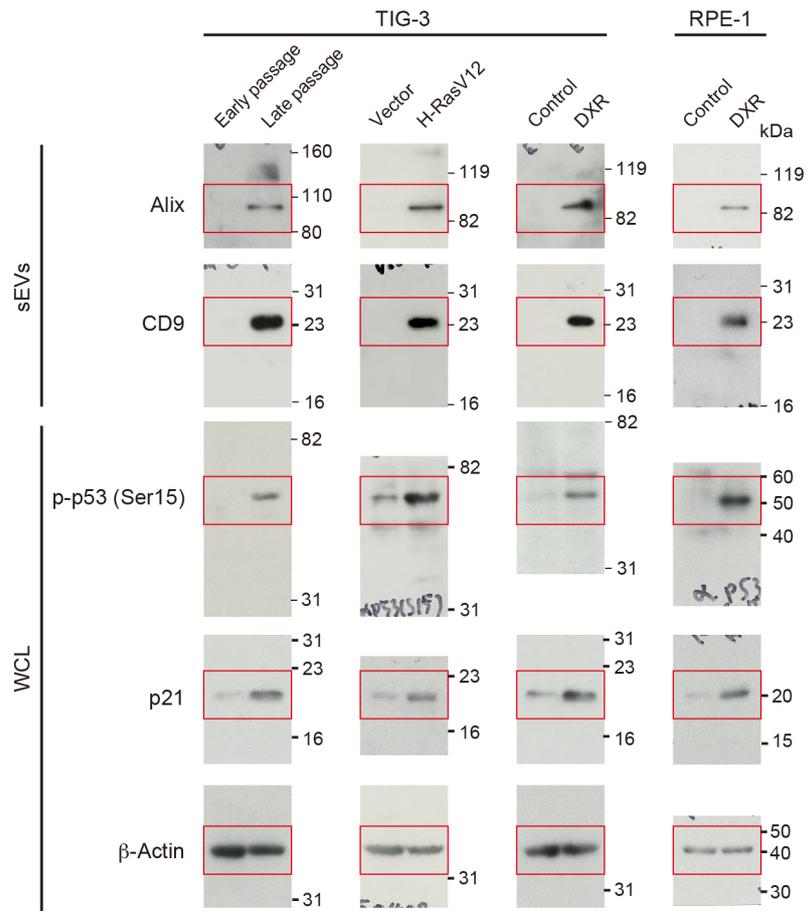
**Supplementary Figure 4 | EphA2/ephrin-A1 signals are involved in the pro-proliferative effects of the CM of senescent TIG-3 cells.** (a) Relative binding levels of mouse ephrin-A1-Fc to immobilized mouse EphA2-Fc in the presence of normal rabbit IgG or rabbit anti-ephrin-A1 IgG (100  $\mu\text{g/ml}$ ). (b-d) Relative numbers of MCF-7 cells grown for 3 days in the presence of CM compared to the number of cells grown for 3 days in normal medium. CM was prepared from (b) replicative senescent (late passage), (c) Ras-induced senescent, or (d) DXR-induced senescent TIG-3 cells. Normal rabbit IgG or anti-ephrin-A1 IgG was added to the CM at a concentration of 5  $\mu\text{g/ml}$ . The densities of TIG-3 cells were as following at 1 day before starting CM preparation;  $8 \times 10^2$  cells/cm<sup>2</sup> for replicative senescent TIG-3 cells;  $1 \times 10^4$  cells/cm<sup>2</sup> for Ras-induced senescent TIG-3 cells;  $5 \times 10^3$  cells/cm<sup>2</sup> for DXR-induced senescent TIG-3 cells. The experiments were technically replicated 3 times for (a) ( $n = 3$ ) and biologically replicated 6 times for (b) ( $n = 6$ ) and 3 times for (c,d) ( $n = 3$ ). Error bars indicate SD. \* $p < 0.05$  [two-tailed  $t$ -test].



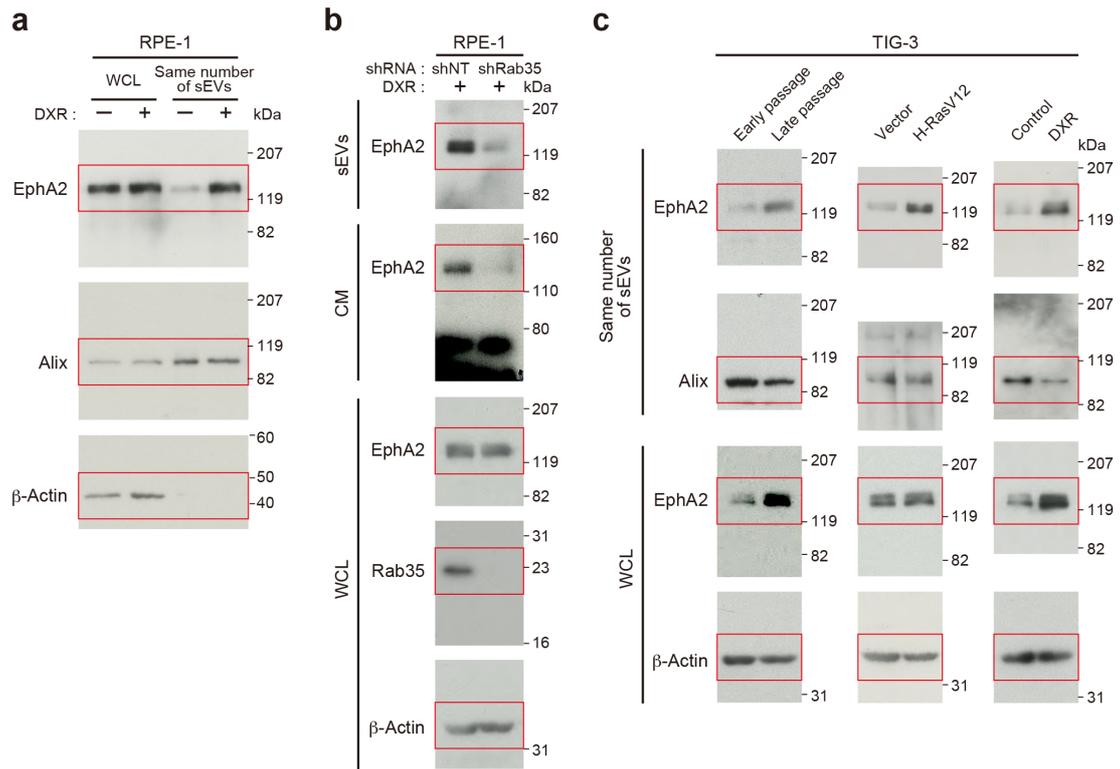
**Supplementary Figure 5 | EphA2 phosphorylation is associated with its sorting into sEVs.**

(a) EphA2 immunoprecipitates prepared from pre-senescent control, replicative senescent (late passage), Ras-induced senescent, and DXR-induced senescent TIG-3 cells were immunoblotted with anti-phosphotyrosine and anti-EphA2 antibody. Dot plots represent the relative density of phospho-EphA2 / EphA2 analyzed by ImageJ. (b) EphA2 immunoprecipitates prepared from

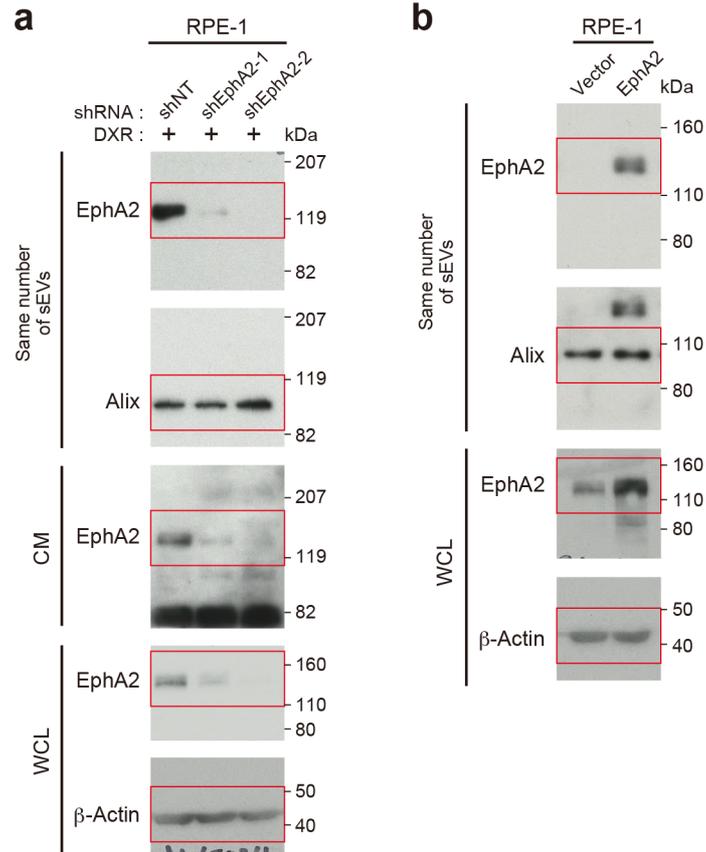
pre-senescent RPE-1 cells expressing empty vector or ectopic EphA2. Dot plot represents the relative density of phospho-EphA2 / EphA2 analyzed by ImageJ. (c) Immunoblotting of ephrin-A1 and  $\beta$ -actin in the WCL of control and DXR-induced senescent RPE-1 cells and MCF-7 cells. (d) EphA2 immunoprecipitates prepared from pre-senescent RPE-1 cells treated for 3 days with DMSO or 20  $\mu$ m PTP1B inhibitor (CAS:765317-72-4) were immunoblotted with anti-phosphotyrosine anti-EphA2 antibody. Dot plot represents the relative density of phospho-EphA2 / EphA2 analyzed by ImageJ. (e) Immunoblotting of EphA2 in the sEV fraction and WCL of pre-senescent RPE-1 cells treated for 3 days with DMSO or 20  $\mu$ m PTP1B inhibitor. Dot plot represents the relative density of sEV-associated EphA2 analyzed by ImageJ. Replicates are biological replicates ( $n = 3$ ). Error bars indicate SD. \* $p < 0.05$  [two-tailed  $t$ -test].



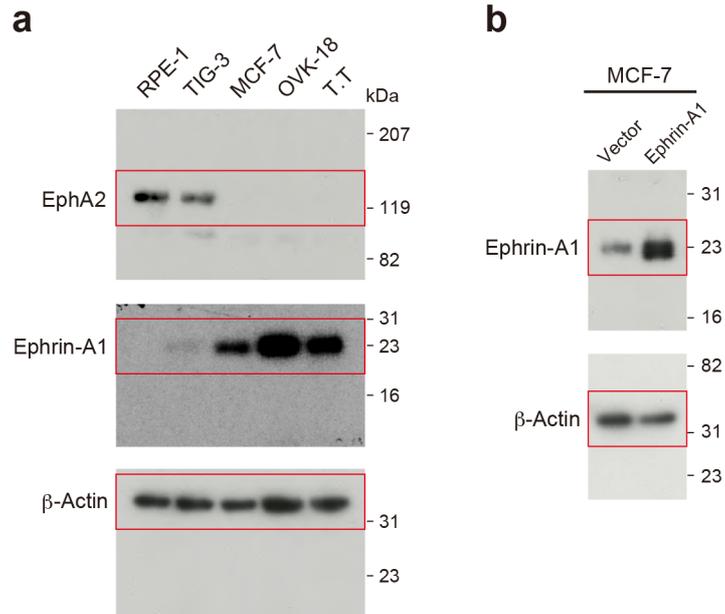
Supplementary Figure 6 | Uncropped gel images of western blots in Figure 1.



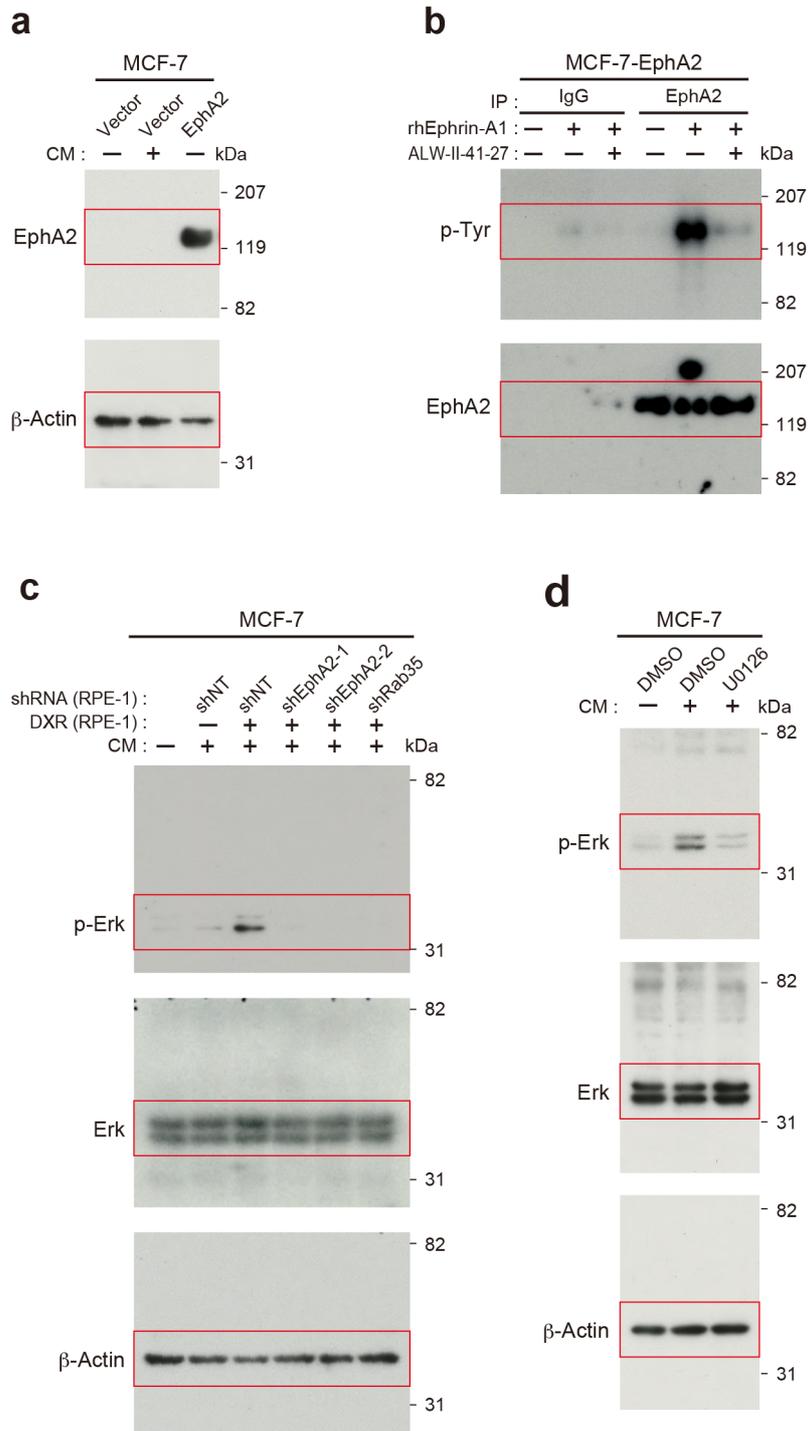
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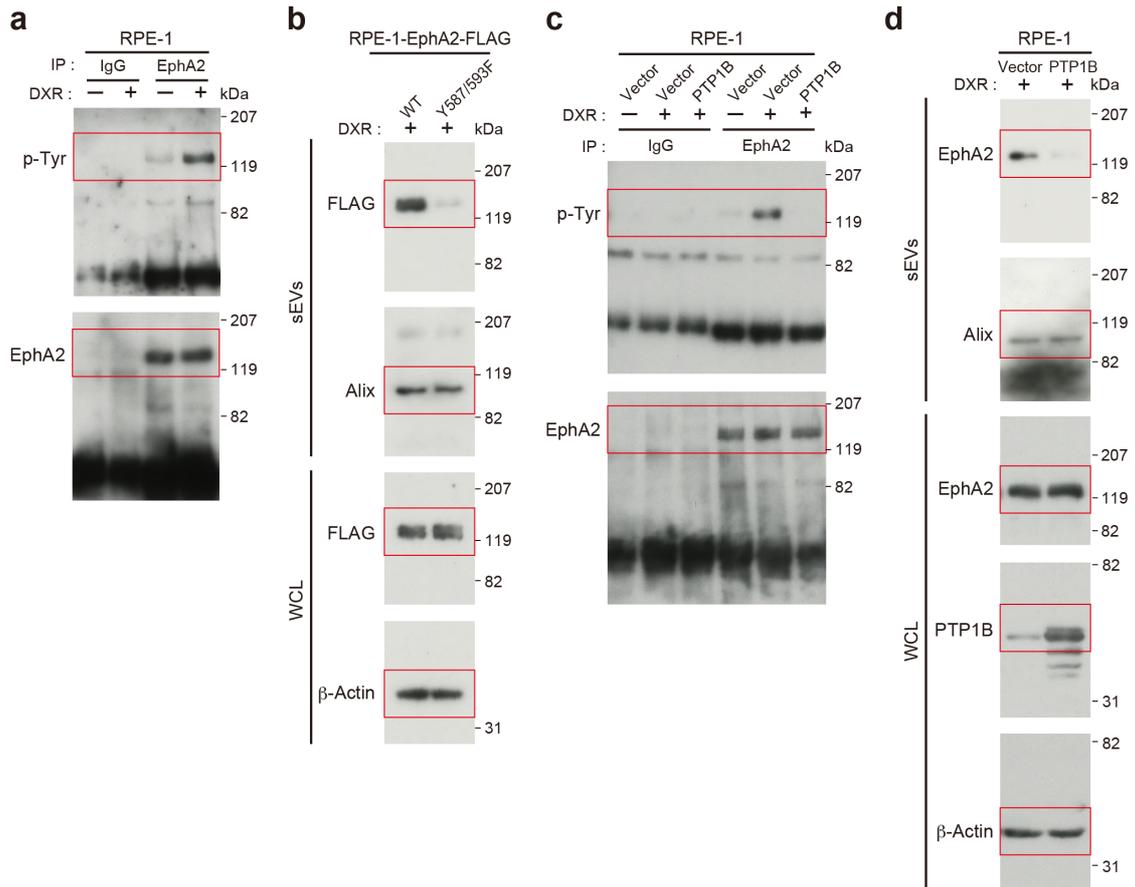
**Supplementary Figure 8 | Uncropped gel images of western blots in Figure 4. (a) Figure 4a. (b) Figure 4b.**



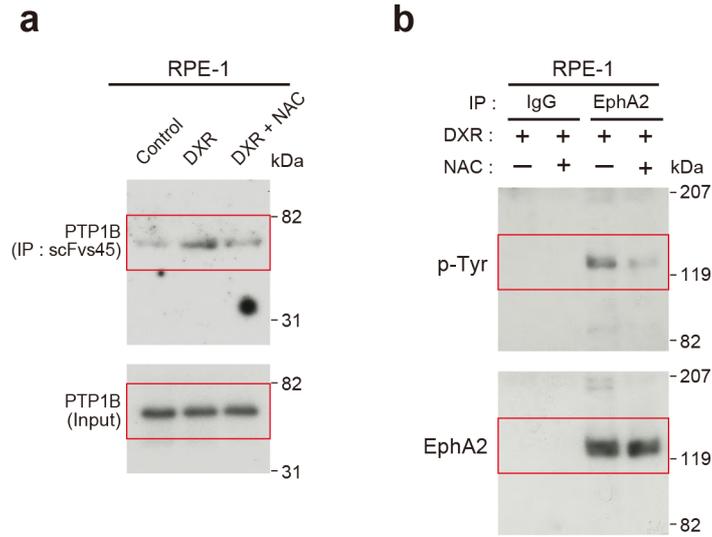
**Supplementary Figure 9 | Uncropped gel images of western blots in Figure 5. (a) Figure 5a. (b) Figure 5c.**



**Supplementary Figure 10 | Uncropped gel images of western blots in Figure 6. (a) Figure 6a. (b) Figure 6b. (c) Figure 6d. (d) Figure 6g.**



**Supplementary Figure 11 | Uncropped gel images of western blots in Figure 7. (a) Figure 7a. (b) Figure 7b. (c) Figure 7e. (d) Figure 7f.**



**Supplementary Figure 12 | Uncropped gel images of western blots in Figure 8. (a) Figure 8b. (b) Figure 8d.**